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TENTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than U.S. patent documents, are also enclosed.

REMARKS

The following documents were cited in a Japanese Official Action of a foreign counterpart application (Japanese Patent Application No. 11-020821) corresponding to the above-referenced application:

- (1) JP-A 10-327114 (relied upon by Japanese Examiner);
- (2) JP-A 05-219455;
- (3) JP-A 07-298148;

- (4) JP-A 08-234712;
- (5) JP-A 08-292781;
- (6) JP-A 10-023348;
- (7) JP-A 10-143636;
- (8) JP-A 10-164521; and
- (9) JP-A 10-313449.

The Official Action is dated November 9, 2007. A copy of the Official Action is also enclosed. English-language Abstracts of Documents (1) - (9) obtained from a commercial database are also enclosed. Applicants submit that US 2003/0164898 A1 is in the family of Document (1), US 5,754,242 is in the family of Document (4), and US 6,757,911 and US 2004/0088739 A1 are in the family of Document (9).

FORMAL MATTERS

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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